

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 1645
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Serial No.: 09/769,981)	
)	Via Facsimile (703) 872-9306
Filed: January 25, 2001)	
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For: Method for the Evaluation of)	
Implantable Materials)	Pasadena, California

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated August 27, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.